

--(In the formula (3), R16 represents a branched [the] alkyl group [residue of an isocarboxylic acid] having a carbon number of 5 to 18 and R17 represents a branched [the] alkyl group [residue of an isoalcohol] having a carbon number of 3 to 18)--

Please substitute the paragraph starting at page 29, line 6 and ending at line 9 with the following replacement paragraph. A marked-up copy of this paragraph, showing the changes made thereto, is attached.

--In the above formula (6), R9 is H or an alkyl group, preferably of a carbon number of 1 to 8 [3]. R10 to R13 are each H or an alkyl group, preferably of a carbon number of 1 to 3.--

#### REMARKS

Claims 1-94 are pending in this Application, with Claims 1, 27, 54, 55, 59 and 86 being independent.

The specification is amended herein to correct inaccurate chemical expressions at page 26 and a clerical error at page 29. Regarding the correction at page 29, Applicants note that a R9 group having a carbon number of 8 is shown in the